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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Jae Bum KIM, *et al.*) Confirmation No.: 2764
Application No.: 10/668,151) Group Art Unit: 2871
Filed: September 24, 2003) Examiner: Di Grazio, J.
For: BACKLIGHT DEVICE FOR LIQUID)
CRYSTAL DISPLAY AND METHOD OF)
FABRICATING THE SAME)

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed March 14, 2005, the period for response to which extends through April 14, 2005, Applicants elect the invention defined by the Examiner as Specie A, corresponding to claims 1-4, 6-8, 26, 28, and 29, with traverse.

Applicants respectfully assert that the Requirement incorrectly identified Specie D as relating to FIG. 9. Applicants respectfully submit that Specie D, as alleged and identified by the Requirement, corresponds to the structure shown in FIG. 10. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that a corrected Restriction Requirement be provided, or a correction be supplied in the next Communication from the Office.

Applicants respectfully assert that the Requirement improperly failed to identify that claim 1 is generic to each of the alleged Species A-H, as identified in the Requirement. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that a corrected Restriction Requirement be provided, or a correction be supplied in the next Communication from the Office.

Furthermore, Applicants respectfully assert that elected claim 26 is generic to each of Species B and C, as alleged by the Requirement. Thus, as provided in the Requirement, "upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant is entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141." Accordingly, Applicants respectfully assert that once generic claims 1 and 26 are allowed, that claims 7, 8, and 27 must also be entitled for consideration since they are dependent upon generic claims 1 and 26.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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